

ROANOKE VALLEY LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES

AUGUST 12, 2013

The Roanoke Valley Local Human Rights Committee met on Monday, August 12, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. at Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare, located at 301 Elm Avenue, SW Roanoke, VA.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Jay Fields – Chair
Joseph Kinchloe – Vice Chair
Martha Pillow – Secretary
Joanne Baker
Betty Crance
Nancy Fields
Robin Jordan

DBHDS-OHR STAFF

Dwayne Lynch –Advocate

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

Betsy Walker

AFFILIATES REPRESENTED

Bethany Hall – Denise Yopp
Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare – Betty Bingham
Braley & Thompson – Lisa McDowell
Cee Breeze – Emize Abbott
CHIP – Denise Ellis
Didlake - Mitzi Hartwell/Lydia Slayder
East Wellness – Sara Ingrham
EHS – Katye Hale
Family Service Roanoke Valley – Vickie Haynie/Emily Painter
Fidura & Associates – Cassie Huskey
HopeTree Family Service – Will Childers/Jenny DeLorenzo/Patrick Brooks
Lutheran Family Services –Eric Gordon/Tresha Lafon
Mayo Residential – Trina Washington
Mt Regis Center – Judith Pace
National Counseling Group – Brian Hoff
Total Life Counseling – Steve Price

1. Call to order/welcome
Jay Fields, Chair called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Introductions/Citizen Comments

Members of the Committee and providers introduced themselves.

ACTION AGENDA

3. Approval of June 10, 2013 minutes

Robin Jordan motioned the minutes be accepted as presented; Joann Baker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Agenda

Robin Jordan motioned the agenda be accepted as presented; Joann Baker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INFORMATION AGENDA

5. Advocate Report –

Dwayne Lynch, Human Rights Advocate informed providers that there are still problems with reporting in CHRIS. All the abuse, neglect, and SIR reporting are working fine, however the complaint reporting is sporadic when it comes to providers having difficulties. Advocate informed providers if this occurs to fax in complaint on old form to adhere to reporting requirements. Advocate also advised providers to refer to FAQs document on the department website under human rights. Many of their questions can be answered from this document. In addition to reporting if any reports involve individuals discharged from the training centers, if providers could email a notification reminder to the advocate that a recent submission to the CHRIS system involved an individual discharged from the training center it would be appreciated. Dwayne Lynch informed the committee members as well as the providers again that the time for potential regulation revisions have come. The department is taking public suggestions, and if you would like to provide feedback the links to do so is on the DBHDS website under human rights. Click on “public suggestion” and follow the instructions.

6. **Annual Reports**

The following providers presented their Annual Report and 2nd quarter report if applicable and answered questions from Committee members.

Braley Thompson

East Mental Health Services (1st qtr report presented due to absence June)

National Counseling Group (2nd qtr report presented)

Total Life Counseling Group

7. **Quarterly Reports**

The following providers presented their 2nd Quarter Reports and answered questions from Committee members

Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare

EHS Support Services

Fidura and Associates
Lutheran Family Services

Due to absence DePaul and Hall Community Services will report in October

8. Provider Affiliation requests/notifications

Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare

- AHS – Request to extend current affiliation to cover a proposed sponsored residential site (letter enclosed)

Martha Pillow moved the affiliation be extended to cover the new site; Robin Jordan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- CFS – Mental Health Support Services program closing – (letter enclosed)

Betty Crance moved the Committee to accept the letter of notification for the closure of the Mental Health Support Services program; Joann Baker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- AHS – Sponsored Residential Services changes (letter enclosed)

Letter informed the committee the site addresses included in the letter of notification would be removed from the BRBH list of sites.

Second part of letter was a notification that some of the sites that were approved at the June meeting were actually located out of the area that this committee covers. Betty Bingham will be seeking affiliation with the appropriate Human Rights Committee for those counties.

The State Human Rights Director has asked this committee to extend the affiliation for these sites outside of its catchment area of Region 3 until the next meeting in October to allow BRBH to affiliate with correct committee in Region 6.

Robin Jordan motioned the affiliation be extended to cover the sites until the next meeting; Betty Crance seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Fidura and Associates – Relocation of Clients due to storm damage to their residence. (letter of notification included)

Notification of client evacuation from the residential site on Girard Drive is included in the packet. The clients have been permanently relocated to a site on Chaparral Drive.

Nancy Fields motioned to extend the affiliation to cover the new site on Chaparral

Drive; Joseph Kinchloe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Lutheran Family Services – Request for addition of a provider to the Sponsored Provider Program (letter of notification included)

Betty Crance motioned to accept affiliation for a new provider the Sponsored Residential Program; Joseph Kinchloe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Betty Crance motioned the Committee to accept all reports submitted; Joann Baker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

9. Other Business – None

10. Next meeting date – October 21, 2013

11. Meeting Adjourned at 4:05 pm.

Jay Fields, Chairman

Date Approved

Betsy Walker
Support for Roanoke Valley Local Human Rights Committee